VI.—BILLS.

(1) THE MADRAS MUNICIPAL AND LOCAL BOARDS (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1947.

THE HON. SRI K. CHANDRAMOULI :—" Sir, I beg to move—

> '*that the Madras Municipal and Local Boards (Amendment) Bill,*[a] 1947 (*L.A. Bill No. 32 of 1947*), *as passed by the Assembly be taken into consideration at once.*'

" The primary object of this amendment is just to remedy a flaw that has crept into the Local Boards Act and three Acts, that is, the Municipal Act, Local Boards Act and the Madras City Corporation Act. Whenever any municipality or local board is abolished, its properties are taken up by the Government and transferred to others but the Act does not give any provision to transfer the liabilities to the local bodies or the other institutions without the consent of the persons concerned or the bodies concerned. Now by this amendment of the Act that technical flaw is removed and power is taken with retrospective effect, so as to regularize the previous Acts."

The motion was carried and the Bill was considered.

Clause 2 was put and carried.
Clause 3 was put and carried.
Clause 4 was put and carried.
Clause 1 was put and carried.
The Preamble was put and carried

THE HON. SRI K. CHANDRAMOULI :—" Sir, I move—

> '*that the Bill be passed into law.*'

" I thank the Members for passing the Bill without any delay."

MR. PRESIDENT :—" If at all the Hon. Minister should thank anybody, he should thank the President."

The motion was put and carried and the Bill was passed into law.

(2) THE MADRAS PLACES OF PUBLIC RESORT (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1947.

• THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" Sir, I move—

> '*that the Madras Places of Public Resort (Amendment) Bill* [b], 1947 (*L.A. Bill No. 33 of 1947*), *as passed by the Assembly be taken into consideration at once.*'

" Sir, the managements of circuses, amusements and other entertainments are not subject to the licensing provisions of the present Act in areas just outside the municipal limits. To avoid taking out licences, these people hold their shows in those places. No manner of control can be exercised over them by either the municipal authority or the concerned local authorities. These

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[a] Printed as Appendix X on page 739 infra.

[b] Printed as Appendix XI on page 740 infra.